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## Tropical storm Matthew threatens flooded Central America



SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (AFP) - Tropical Storm Matthew raced toward Central America yesterday and is threatening to bring new destruction to a region already suffering the consequences of an abnormally fierce rainy season.

Central America is in the midst of one of the most intense rainy seasons in the last 60 years, with flooding and landslides that have killed more than 300 people and caused serious damage in recent months.

Matthew made landfall near the Nicaragua-Honduras border yesterday afternoon, and is moving over northern Honduras today.

Matthew is packing sustained winds of 50 miles (85 kilometers) per hour, the Miami-based National Hurricane Center said.

Matthew is expected to dump between six and 10 inches of rain over parts of Nicaragua and Honduras, with up to 15 inches possible in isolated areas.

"These rainfall totals may produce life-threatening flash floods and mud slides," the NHC said.

As the outer bands of rain began to lash parts of Nicaragua and Honduras, both countries were on high alert, ordering residents to be vigilant and take necessary precautions.

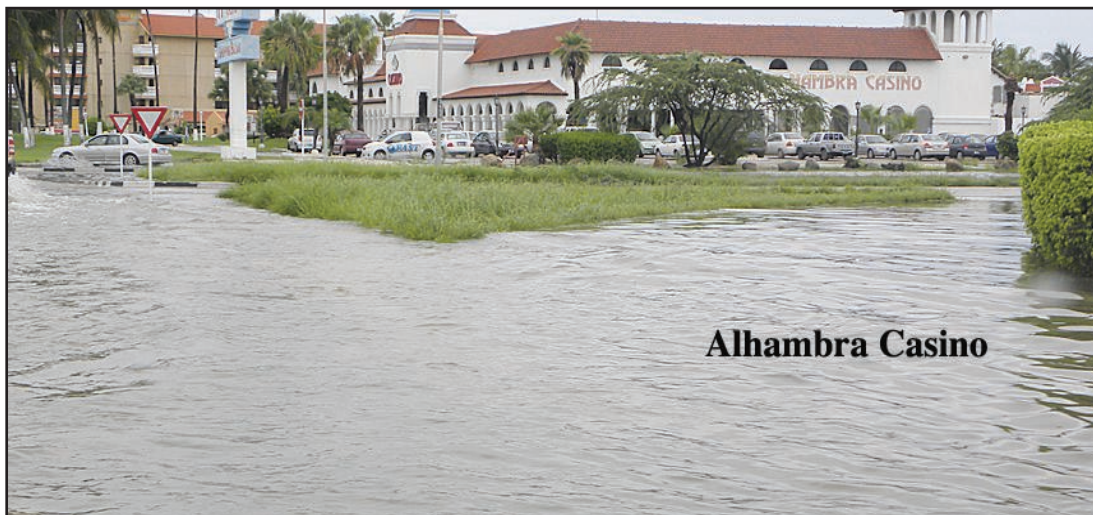


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According to the Aruba Meteorological Services we can expect more rain these coming days. The weather forecast for today is mostly cloudy with a few showers and risk of a thunderstorm.

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## Open flood gates displace two million in Nigeria

LAGOS, Nigeria, 2010 (AFP) - About two million people, or about half the population of Nigeria's Jigawa state, have been displaced after authorities had to open flood gates on two rivers, a government official said yesterday.

"We have about two million people affected," Umar Kyari spokesman of Jigawa state told AFP. Jigawa has a population of about 4.3 million people.

He said the flooding was caused after authorities opened flood gates of the Challawa and Tiga dams in neighbouring Kano state to avoid overflowing following heavy rains.

"When the rains became too much they realised the water was too much and opened the dams," he said.

About 90,000 hectares (222,400 acres) of farmland were washed away with food and livestock estimated at 4.5 billion naira (30 million dol-

lar/22 million euros) destroyed.

"Over 5,000 villages in 11 of our 27 local government areas were affected. It started more than two months ago and it's continuing as I speak," he said.

The displaced have moved to higher and dry areas where they are sheltering in schools.

Kyari said that although the gates are opened almost every year to avoid overflowing and waters wash away villages on the low-lying plains of the state, "this year is just very bad." Several other states in northern Nigeria have been hit by floods this year.

The floods came despite forecasts of low rainfall in the north for this year's rainy season from Nigeria's meteorological agency, which had previously warned that more than 12 million people in the region could face food shortages as a result.

## Google puts 10 million dollars into world-changing ideas

SAN FRANCISCO, California (AFP) - Google yesterday named five groups that will be sharing 10 million dollars that the Internet powerhouse is investing in ideas that promise to change the world.

More than 150,000 ideas from 170 countries were submitted to "Project 10-to-the-one-hundredth" launched two years ago, Google vice president of marketing Lorraine Twohill said in a blog post announcing the results.

Google whittled the selection down to 16 "big ideas" and the public got to vote online to determine the five that would be backed by the Mountain View, California-based firm.

The non-profit Khan Academy will get two million dollars to bolster its free online library of educational videos and translate core works into the world's most widely spoken languages.

The African Institute for Mathematical Sciences in Cape Town will get two million dollars to open more centers to promote graduate level math and science study on that continent.

Non-profit group FIRST that promotes science and math study worldwide through team competitions will get three million dollars to start a robotics program for students.

Google will give two million dollars to Public.Resource.Org to support a Law.Gov initiative to make US court documents, statutes, legal forms, and other government documents easily available to anyone online.

The final award of one million dollars went to New Zealand-based startup Shweeb to develop and test a transportation system based on personal monorail pods powered by pedaling the way one might while riding a bicycle.

## Lindsay Lohan sent back to jail for failing drugs test

LOS ANGELES, California (AFP) - Troubled US starlet Lindsay Lohan was sent back to jail yesterday after failing a drugs test in breach of bail conditions.

Judge Elden Fox of the Beverly Hills Superior Court denied bail to the 24-year-old, after she tested positive for cocaine in a regular court-ordered drugs test the week before last.

Lohan, who appeared stunned as she was led away, could be in jail for up to 30 days, after the judge set her next probation hearing for October 22. Jail officials indicated there would be no early release for the actress.

The judge refused to hear arguments from her lawyers arguing that she should be given bail because of the relatively minor nature of the charges against her.

Lohan, dressed in black for yesterday's brief court appearance, was sentenced on July 6 to serve 90 days in jail and another 90 days in rehab for violating her probation in a drunk-driving case.

Due to jail overcrowding, however, she served just 13 days behind bars, before being released to the detox facility.

## Obama congratulates Colombia on death of rebel leader

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - The slaying of the military commander of Colombia's biggest guerrilla group was "a big day" for Colombians, President Barack Obama told President Juan Manuel Santos yesterday.

The meeting on the sidelines of the UN general assembly was the first between the two presidents since Santos took office August 7.

The Colombian military on

## Britain warns of 'massive dangers' if Yemen collapses

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) - Britain yesterday warned of "massive dangers" to world security should Yemen, the Arab world's poorest country and an increasing stronghold of Al-Qaeda, become a failed state.

"The underpinning issue of help to Yemen is the protection of the stability of the state overall and let's be honest: there are massive dangers to the country, the region and the wider world if ever Yemen becomes failed state," Alan Duncan, Britain's international development minister, said.

Duncan, who described "a very potent cocktail for danger," was speaking at a meeting at UN headquarters in New York of the Friends of Yemen -- an international support group for the country.

The Arabian Peninsula nation is suffering growing security and economic strains and faces a rising Al-Qaeda presence.

US authorities blame a plot to blow up a US-bound airliner on Christmas Day last year on the Yemen-based organization known as Al-Qaeda on the Arabian peninsula. The group also claimed the attack, which was foiled only when the alleged

bomber's explosive failed to ignite properly.

Meanwhile, the central government in Sanaa is struggling to deal with rebels in the north, separatists in the south and an economy holed by declining oil reserves, the main revenue source.

"You have a country that's running out of oil, running out of water and running out of time," Duncan said.

According to the UN refugee agency, at least 4,000 civilians have fled fighting between government forces and militants in southern Yemen since last weekend.

Yemen's donors met in February to discuss disbursement of the rest of 5.7 billion dollars promised in 2006.

But Duncan said that three billion dollars of that sum remained unspent, "simply because the country has not been able to show the capacity to absorb the fund."

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## Minister Oduber holds first meeting with ATMF

Mr. Jossy Lacle elected as president of the Supervisory Committee



Recently, Minister of Labor, Transport and Tourism, Otmar Oduber met with the Supervisory Committee of the Aruba Tourism Marketing Fund (ATMF).

Members of the commission are: Mrs. Sanju Luidens-Daryanani; Mr. Edward Allen Malone and Mr. Gilberto François Croes, representing the Minister of Tourism; and Mr. James (Jim) Richard Hepple; Mr. Warren Edward Harold Stanley and Mr. Ewald Kurt Biemans representing the Aruba Hotel and Tourism Association (AHATA).

During the meeting it was proposed, and accepted, the appointment of Mr. Jossy Lacle as President of the Supervisory Committee of the ATMF. He will represent the Minister of Tourism and AHATA.

Minister Oduber explained that the supervisory committee's task is to supervise and manage the ATMF, which consists of giving advice on decisions concerning the use and spending of the ATMF funds (planning); advise on the budget; control on the use of funds for execution and realization of plans; re-

port on the development and realization of plans; supervision on the realization of ATMF year accounts.

The president and secretary of the Supervisory Committee must report once a month to the Minister of Tourism and the Minister of Finance on the above mentioned matters.

Furthermore, Minister Oduber emphasized that the committee must work for the general wellbeing of Aruba and the tourism industry as it is our economic mainstay. All future management of the ATMF will also be supervised by the Supervisory Committee.

ATMF is at the moment a budget fund, as approved on September 1, 2010 by the Aruba Parliament. Its income is a 9 ½ percent room tax, with the exception of 2 percent room tax of time-share owners, which goes to the Tourism Product Enhancement Fund (TPEF). The tax is collected by the Tax Collection Department and deposited on a special account at the Central Bank.

At the end of the meeting Minister Oduber thanked everyone present for their contribution to the development of Aruba's tourism and wished them lots of wisdom and success in their new endeavor.

## Urban Renovation plans for San Nicolas are on the way



ORANJESTAD – Recently the community of San Nicolas and surroundings met with government officials to talk about the government project 'Renobacion Urbano 2' – Urban Renovation 2. The interest among the attendees was tremendous, the participation very positive.

Everyone present brought forward their ideas, concerns and frustrations, which is very essential to pave the way for the positive visions for San Nicolas in the near future. A group of students of the University of Pennsylvania, together with professors from the university and one from Holland, were also present at the meeting, in order to give guidance in the renovation process. The main idea is for San Nicolas to maintain its identity, thus its ambiance and Caribbean look.

Topics brought forward during the meeting were, among others, unemployment, recreation, lack of roads and sidewalk in the neighborhoods, insufficient illumination, security, maintenance of homes, cleanliness of the neighborhood in general, pollution, the dilemma of prostitutes in the mainstreet, the problem with addicts, abandoned buildings, opportunity for school dropouts, more education possibilities, and other social problems.

But most important is that

the renovation works for San Nicolas have started. The money to invest in Urban Renovation 2 is available, which is the most essential aspect.

In the near future the Aruba government will meet again with the community in order to continue helping with the ongoing work. Parliament members, especially those residing on the east side of the island will continue monitoring the developments. Together we can all help improve our quality of life, not only in San Nicolas, but on Aruba in general.

## Oranjestad's stores donate to Cas di Glas fundraising

ORANJESTAD -- The Cas di Glas fundraising, which will take place next week from Wednesday, September 29 thru October 3, gets wide support on the island. Not only the large companies, banks and telecom providers are joining the effort to purchase a mobile breast cancer screening unit, but also various stores in Oranjestad are donating gift certificates and money for this good cause, which might prevent much suffering.

Tommy Hilfiger, ASD, Enigma, Fashions at the Great-

est Value, Seasons, La Moderna, Cellular World, Simply White, Black Sheep, Panache, Classic and Argee pitched in. Kay Jewelers came with a great surprise before they were even approached for a donation: AWG. 500,-- in cash!

The countdown to the start of the happening goes underway; stores that wish to donate gift certificates or cash for Cas di Glas are kindly requested to call Paola Monster at 743-5334. If everyone helps a bit, the mobile screening unit is in sight!

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## Professor Wubbo Ockels welcomes Prime Minister Eman at his research facility Offers the delegation a sneak peak at the Superbus



The international conference on sustainable energy taking place on Aruba, September 29 through October 1 is the first step the government of the island is taking on the journey towards becoming a forerunner in this field in the Caribbean region. The next step is to establish on Aruba a center for investigation in cooperation with the Delft University of Technology (TU Delft). During his most recent trip to the Netherlands to attend the round table conferences, Aruba Prime Minister Mike Eman on an invitation from former NASA/ESA astronaut

Wubbo Ockels visited the department that is run by Ockels at TU Delft. Eman expressed he was very impressed with Ockels' work and the technologies that the professor is currently developing.

Ockels, who is the speaker to open the Green Aruba 2010 conference is a world renown inventor and an advocate and driving force behind increased use of sustainable energy and the development of technologies promoting its use. After retiring from his career as an astronaut Ockels dedicated himself to innovations in

technology and currently is working as developer of new projects at the Dutch university.

Among the projects he has worked on are the Nuna Solar car series which have won four out of five World Solar Challenges in Australia and the Formula Zero Greenchoice Forze hydrogen car series. The Nuna 4 as well as one of the Greenchoice Forze cars will be used to give demonstrations for the general public on the L.G Smith Boulevard during the Green Aruba conference. Also, an attempt to break the world record on the 1/8 mile will be attempted with the Greenchoice Forze during the team's visit to Aruba. Ockels has also developed the Ecolution, a zero emissions sailboat.

One of the most eye catching and impacting projects the professor is working on together with his team, which also includes Curacao-born Ivo Hagemans, is the Superbus. The Superbus rides on solar energy and is the first of its kind to ever be developed. The bus offers seating for 27 passengers and depends 100 percent on alternative energy for power.

The Superbus, which will be presented to Dutch media shortly, is to be used for public transportation, but Prime Minister Eman and his delegation got a sneak peak at the bus in Professor Ockels' research facility. The Superbus is designed to reach a speed of 250 km/hr on roads that are especially made for it, but the vehicle is also able to ride on existing, regular roads. It is designed to drive one programmed route, but also offer stops and detours according

to the passengers' instructions given either by SMS or online.

The vehicle has been in development for three years and has a production cost between 1 and 1.5 million Euro

Photo at right is of Professor Ockels



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## Minister Otmar Oduber announced in New York: *2011 Aruba Fashion Week* *'Aruba in Style'*



Recently, Minister of Labor Transport and Tourism, Otmar Oduber went to New York for different meetings and presentations. During his stay there the minister, together with ATA (Aruba Tourism Authority), IMG and Aruba Fashion Group took the opportunity to make the big announcement: Aruba's first Aruba fashion week: 'Aruba in Style.' The event will take place in 2011. IMG World-wide is a global sports, entertainment and media business, with nearly 3,000 employees operating in 30 countries around the globe.

"Aruba already has the best stores in the Caribbean offering designer brands. A partnership of 3 years was closed with Aruba and IMG.

"With the launching of the 'Aruba in Style' event we will elevate our island's reputation, making it a style and fashion mecca," the minister said. "One of our goals is to improve tourism on Aruba and by organizing such huge events it will surely bring recognition for Aruba as a chic and sophisticated vacation destination."

'Aruba in Style' will be a mixture of fashion shows, parties, presentations and shopping at one of the most exotic

Caribbean destinations – Aruba. The event will take place at different venues around the island where fashion designers, celebrities, models fashionistas and news media will meet and interact.

"We are very enthusiastic to work with IMG and the Aruba government. With this partnership Aruba will stand out as the leader in fashion and entertainment in the Caribbean region," spokesperson for Aruba Fashion Group, Damilice Mansur, said.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for us. Very often we look in this direction for such a fashion event. We are lucky to meet creative people in the Aruba Tourism Authority and Aruba Fashion Group, who share our vision of something sophisticated, cool and distinctive for Aruba," SVP and IMG Fashion Worldwide Managing Director Peter Levy said.

Minister Oduber on his part expressed to be confident that this event will contribute to the diversification of our tourism. More details on this event will be given next year.

Photos show moments of the announcement of 'Aruba in Style' fashion week in New York.



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## 7 Travel World agents visit Aruba



Recently, 7 travel agents of the tour operator Travelworld paid a courtesy visit to Aruba. Their visit was a organized by the Aruba Tourism Authority (ATA) and Travelworld, the office in charge for marketing Aruba in Belgium. During their stay the invited guests visited different hotels to see first hand the amenities and services of the hotels. They also enjoyed a tour around the island, courtesy of El Tours and enjoyed a session of golf lessons at Divi Links. The travel agents stayed at Bucuti Beach Resort & Tara Suites, and were hosted by Travelworld representative Wim David and ATA representative Mandy Lopez. They also ate at the different restaurants in order to get a taste of Aruba's local dishes. ATA extends its gratitude to everyone who helped make this visit a successful one.---Photo shows the travel agents before embarking on their island tour.



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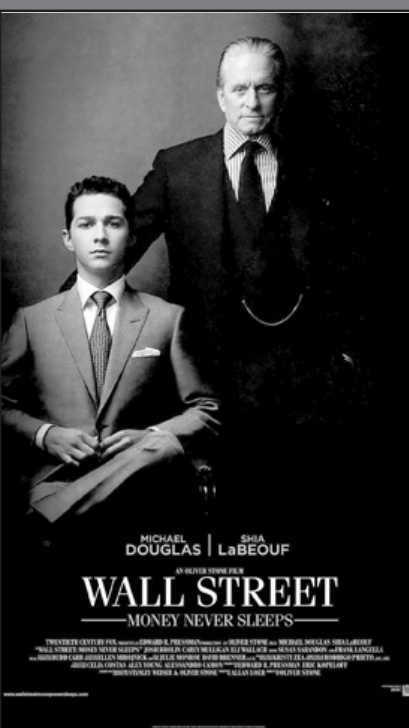
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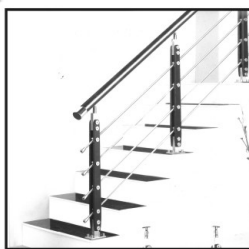
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## Sci-Tech

# Two new horned dinosaurs discovered in western US

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Two new species of large horned dinosaurs -- close cousins of the famous herbivorous Triceratops -- have been unearthed in the western desert of the United States, paleontologists have revealed.

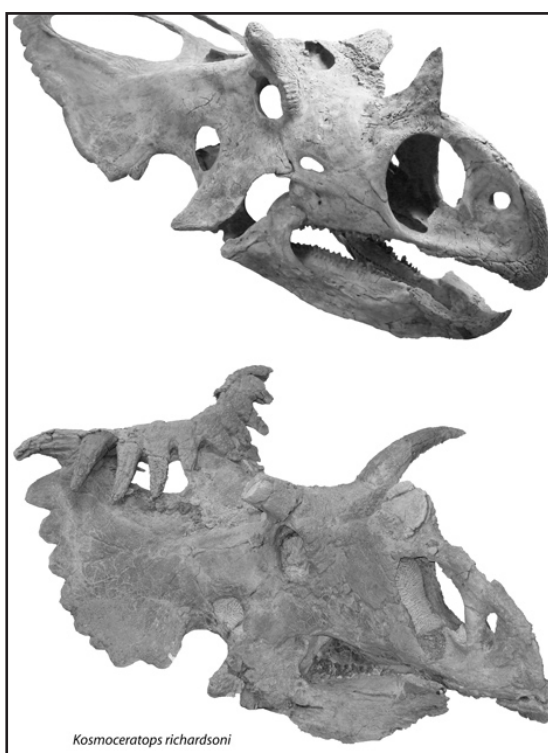
The "remarkable" finds -- one of the dinosaurs had a massive seven-foot (2.3-meter) skull, the other a head decorated with 15 horns -- were made in southern Utah.

Researchers said Wednesday the ancient beasts were thought to have lived some 76 million years ago in the late Cretaceous period.

"The giant plant-eaters were inhabitants of the 'lost continent' of Laramidia, formed when a shallow sea flooded the central region of North America," according to paleontologists, who revealed their work in an online open-access journal produced by the Public Library of Science.

The larger of the finds, with its enormous skull, was named *Utahceratops gettyi*, after the US state, and Mike Getty, paleontology collections manager at the Utah Museum of Natural History, who discovered the animal. Ceratops is Ancient Greek for "horned face."

In size and look, Mark Loewen, a co-author on the paper, described *Utahceratops* as "a giant rhino with a ridiculously supersized head."



*Kosmocerotops richardsoni*

Apart from a large horn over the nose, *Utahceratops* had short and blunt eye horns thrusting from the side of its face rather than upward, much more like the horns of modern bison.

The beast would have weighed between three or four tonnes, and stood about six feet (two meters) tall at the shoulder and hips and was 18 to 22 feet (six to seven meters) long.

The smaller of the dinosaurs is named the *Kosmocerotops richardsoni*, with *kosmos* being Latin for "ornate," after its elaborate collection of horns dotted around its skull. The last part of the name is an ode to volunteer researcher Scott Richardson who discovered two skulls of the animal.

*Kosmocerotops*' 15 horns were located over the nose, one atop each eye, one at the

tip of each cheek bone, and the remaining 10 across the rear part of bony frill, "making it the most ornate-headed dinosaur known," the study said.

Lead author Scott Sampson described *Kosmocerotops* as "one of the most amazing animals known, with a huge skull decorated with an assortment of bony bells and whistles."

Paleontologists still speculate what function such horns played in dinosaurs life, but the theory that they had a key role in attracting mates is gaining ground.

"Most of these bizarre features would have made lousy weapons to fend off predators," said Sampson. "It's far more likely that they were used to intimidate or do battle with rivals of the same sex, as well as to attract individuals of the opposite sex."

The study was funded mostly by the US Bureau of Land Management and the National Science Foundation, and marks another in a series of paleontology finds this year.

"The past year has been a remarkable one for horned dinosaurs, with several new species named," said Andrew Farke, another of the paper's authors.

"The new Utah creatures are the icing on the cake, showing anatomy even more bizarre than typically expected for a group of animals known for its weird skulls."



## Health & Living

# Surgery to Widen Neck Arteries Cuts 10-Year Stroke Risk: Study

For people whose carotid arteries have become narrowed, restricting blood flow to the brain, having a surgical procedure to widen them reduces the risk of stroke over a 10-year period, British researchers report.

The carotid artery -- one on either side of the neck -- supplies blood carrying oxygen to the head, so a procedure to widen it helps restore blood flow to the brain. However, the operation, called a carotid endarterectomy, has about a 3 percent risk of causing an immediate stroke, the researchers cautioned.

For some elderly patients, this risk may outweigh any long-term benefit. But older, healthy patients will likely benefit from the procedure, the study authors noted.

However, Dr. Larry B. Goldstein, professor of neurology and director of the

Duke Stroke Center at Duke University Medical Center, who was not involved in the study, suggested that the benefits might be smaller than they appeared in the study.

"Recent studies suggest that the rate of stroke in patients with [narrowed carotid arteries without symptoms] is lower than the rates found in this trial," he said. Although the study found the rate of stroke in patients without a carotid endarterectomy to be 1.8 percent a year over a 10-year period, Goldstein noted that "the rates are thought to be about 1 percent a year, but may be as low as around 0.5 percent a year."

The lower rates of stroke, he said, "are thought to be due to advances in medical treatment such as blood pressure control, antiplatelet drugs and more widespread use of statins."

## 'Self-Touch' May Reduce Pain, Study Finds

You burn your hand on a hot stove. You grab that hand with the other, and sometimes the pain goes away. Ever wonder why?

British researchers did, and their unusual study suggests that you can reset your brain's image of your body to help eliminate that pain.

The researchers found that they were able to significantly decrease the levels of pain in the hands of people who thought they were experiencing extreme heat. Their method: they told the participants to touch three fingers on one hand to three fingers on the other.

The effects of the "self-touch" approach sounds more than a little peculiar. But it's a tool that "might create new possibilities for pain treatments," said study co-author Marjolein P.M. Kammers of University College London's Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience in the United Kingdom.

Researchers have directly linked phantom limb pain -- in which amputees feel pain in an arm or leg that is no longer there -- to the body representation system.

"One hypothesis is that phantom limb pain after amputation is due to mismatch between the way that the body really is (without a limb) and the way the brain

represents it to be (as it was with all limbs intact)," Kammers said. "Once the body representation is appropriately updated, the phantom limb pain is often reduced."

"Pain is not just a signal from the body reaching the brain," Kammers said. "It is modulated in the brain according to how the brain represents the current state of the body."

The researchers didn't want to actually hurt anyone, so they took advantage of a strange phenomenon: if you put your index and ring fingers in warm water and your middle finger in cool water, you will think your middle finger is burning.

The researchers used the illusion to fool people into thinking their middle fingers were extremely hot and then removed their hands from the water. Some participants touched fingers from one hand to another, while others touched someone else's hand.

Those who touched all three fingers to the same fingers on the other hand felt 64 percent less painful heat, the investigators found.

"Self-touch caused the integration of both hands together into a coherent body representation, which caused a reduction in heat pain," Kammers said.



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# Discover the Treasures Across the Bridge

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View of the Spaan Lagoon



The ruins of the gold smelter next to the Spaans Lagoen (Spanish Lagoon) and the Franse Pas (Frenchman's Pas)



Boca grande kitespot in San Nicolas

Crossing the Balashi Bridge to San Nicolas, on the west coast, you will find the Spaans Lagoen (Spanish Lagoon).

The Spaans Lagoen is a small bay within the two km long and up to five hundred meters wide. By the tidal force has created a special ecosystem: a wetlands (wetlands). Wetlands are areas and between rural areas and wetlands have high biodiversity. Therefore, the inner bay of great importance for waterfowl and is also an important nursery for reef fish and crustaceans.

The Spaans Lagoen area flows into Savaneta is a fishing village in southeastern Aruba. Home to the oldest surviving home in Aruba, it is the

oldest town on that island and former capital. It was where the Dutch first settled after they recaptured it in 1816. It is said that Savaneta name became during the Spanish colonization in 1840. Savaneta means Sabana chikito (small savannah).

Heading east to San Nicolas you will encounter **Cura Cabai** located along the west coast of the island.

Driving further you will find Aruba's second largest city, **San Nicolas**, with the majority of residents originally hailing from the British Caribbean to work in the Lago oil refinery.

San Nicolas was named after a man who owned of a

big piece of land there. This man was named Nicolaas van der Biest. In the early days owners of big piece of land are addressed by "Shon" with the first name after. So the people used to call him Shon Nicolaas. That later turned into San Nicolas. Some stories indicate that the Spanish influence had something to do with this.

Following east you will find **Seroe Colorado**. Seroe Colorado translates to "colorful hill." The name of the place refers to the 30 meters high of pure limestone at the endpoint in the east of Aruba. The hill got its name due to the brown yellowish color of the limestone.



Mangel Halto in Savaneta



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## All the fans of big band Swing Design are invited to come to Aruba's Jazz Festival



The fourth Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival will take place on October 8 and 9, with a warm-up preceding the festival. Held at Cas di Cultura, as is customary, the event has grown to full adulthood through the years. This means that world-class performers can be attracted to the event and thus the 2010 edition will be filled with the names of enormously talented artists. Names like Issac Delgado, the salsa virtuoso, Tizer featuring Karen

Briggs, Marcus Miller, Swing Design, Red Fulka with Roel Calister will be the festival's headliners without contest.

### Following a short bio of Swing Design.

For five years in a row the Dutch band Swing Design has stolen the hearts of Big Band fans at the Sun Valley Jazz Jamboree in Idaho. We have bad news for them: Swing Design will not be playing in the 2010 edition of that festival. The thirty-two

musicians will be travelling to Aruba instead to play on various sunny locations before taking the stage of the Aruba Sea Jazz Festival. Swing Design will be just one of the highlights of this two-day festival, which will have a superb line-up of internationally acclaimed artists.

There is more good news for fans from around the world, travel agents will be offering special Aruba Sea Jazz packages, which allow visitors to Aruba to stay at wonderful, beach front hotels or close-by resorts with entrance tickets to the popular festival included. What could be better than that?

Please check the festival website [www.arubaseajazzfestival.com](http://www.arubaseajazzfestival.com) for more information.



For those who are not familiar with the band: Swing Design was formed in Maas-



tricht, Holland, in 1983. Its wide repertoire soon gained many fans; its interaction with the audience has become legendary. Although Big Band music saw its peak in the 1920's with superb bands like those of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey and

Harry James, its popularity has declined, but it has never gone out of fashion. Germany can still boast of James Last; the Netherlands of Willy Schobben, Sky Masters and Syd Lawrence. And, of course, Swing Design with conductor Bart Rademakers.



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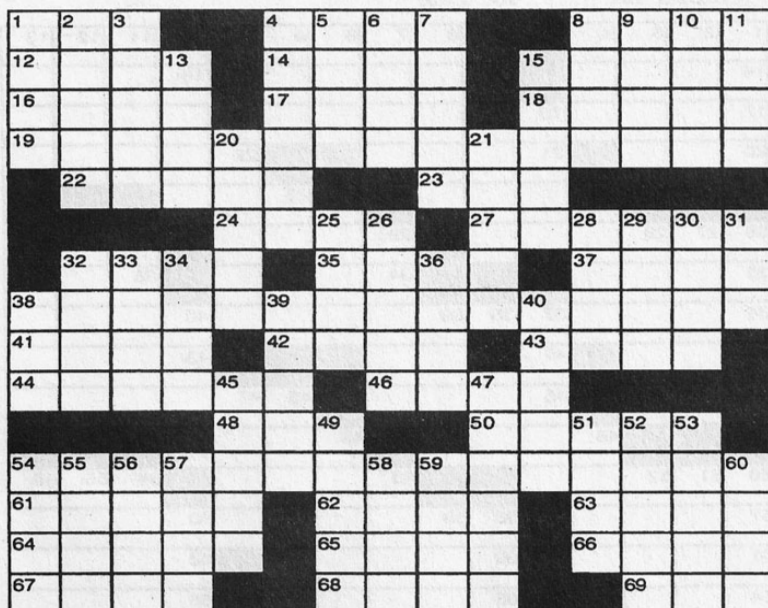
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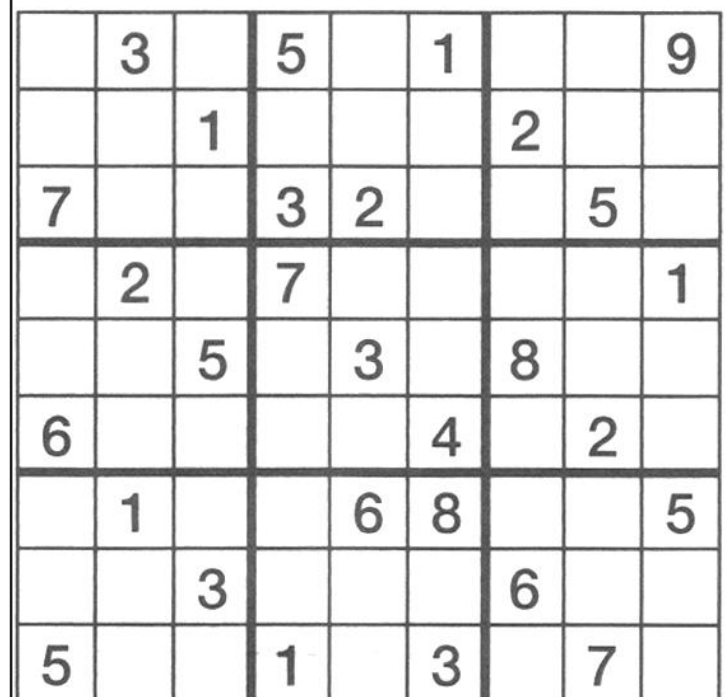
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Complete the grid so that every row and every column contains the numbers 1 through 9. A number is Never repeated in a row or column. In addition every rectangle must contain the numbers 1 through 9.



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## US Congress moves to punish China on currency

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The US Congress moved yesterday to open the way for retaliation against China over its currency, warning that it has lost patience with quiet efforts to press Beijing to let its yuan appreciate.

One day after President Barack Obama pressed Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao on currency in a meeting in New York, Obama's allies in Congress approved a measure that accuses Beijing of killing US manufacturing jobs with its yuan.

The House Ways and Means Committee, which writes tax laws, voted to expand the powers of the Commerce Department to allow it to impose tariffs when another nation is found to be manipulating its currency's value.

Under longstanding regulations, the Commerce Department can only impose tariffs on foreign goods if the producer country directly subsidizes an export.

The committee sent the bill to the full House, which is now set to vote on the measure next week, House majority leader Steny Hoyer said.

"While a multilateral approach to addressing this issue is preferable, we cannot wait any longer to level the playing field for US businesses and protect American manufacturing jobs," Hoyer said in a statement.

"We recognize the efforts China is making toward reform, but they need to act faster to allow their currency to appreciate."

## Norway's central bank sues Citigroup

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Norway's central bank has sued Citigroup for allegedly providing false financial statements which led to losses of more than 700 million dollars, a Citi official said yesterday.

Norges Bank has complained that Citigroup repeatedly issued "untrue statements and non-disclosure of material information to investors" which led the bank to purchase

Citi securities at inflated prices between 2007 and 2009.

"Norges Bank lost in excess of 735 million dollars on its investments in Citigroup common shares and in excess of 100 million dollars on its investments in bonds and preferred shares," said the lawsuit, filed in a Manhattan federal court on September 17.

"When the market slowly learned the truth of Citi's financial condition, Citi came close to insolvency, and plaintiff lost a substantial amount of its investment," it said.

A Citigroup official said: "we believe the suit has no merit and we will defend ourselves vigorously."

Citigroup, once the world's largest bank, also faces a lawsuit filed in August last year by seven Norwegian towns and an investment house that had lost millions in debt obligations sold by Citigroup

## Facebook's Zuckerberg unveils 100 million dollar school gift

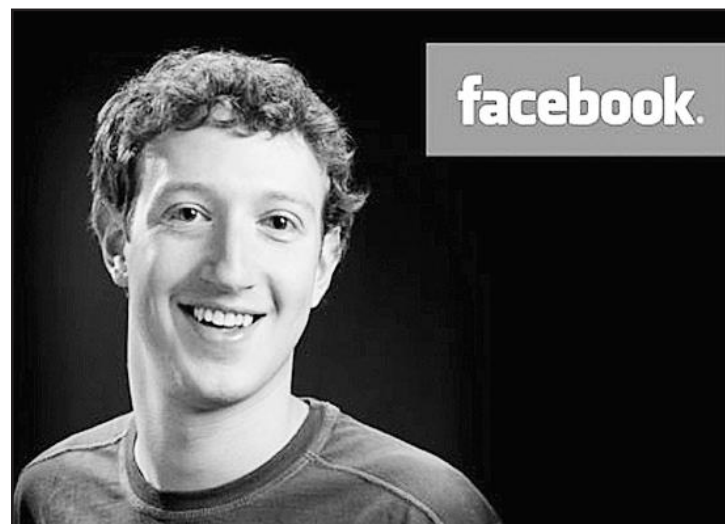
CHICAGO, Illinois (AFP) - Facebook founder and chief executive Mark Zuckerberg joined the ranks of openly philanthropic billionaires Friday with a 100-million-dollar grant to the troubled public school system in Newark, New Jersey.

Zuckerberg, 26, made the Forbes Richest Americans list for the first time this week with an estimated net worth of 6.9 billion dollars, which gave the Harvard drop-out the rank of 35th richest American and second-youngest self-made billionaire.

"I've committed to starting the Startup Education Foundation, whose first project will be a 100 million dollar challenge grant" to Newark's public school system, Zuckerberg said.

He made the announcement on the Oprah Winfrey show, accompanied by the mayor of Newark and governor of New Jersey, who vowed to turn the state's failing school system in a national model of excellence.

The gift is many times



Mark Zuckerberg CEO Of Facebook

larger than any the school system has received before, and amounts to one-eighth of the 800-million-dollar annual operating budget.

With this gesture Zuckerberg is joining forces with the likes of Bill Gates and Warren Buffett, who earlier this year launched a campaign to get other billionaires to donate most of their fortunes to charity.

Oprah repeatedly chided Zuckerberg for wanting to make the donation anonymously, saying his shyness and desire for privacy shouldn't outweigh the impact of a public announcement.

"He needs to make this public so that more people will join in and give money," the talk show diva and noted philanthropist insisted to the applause of her studio audience.

## Cuba to allow first US dollar home rentals in 50 years

HAVANA, Cuba (AFP) - Cuba is to allow some houses to be rented in US dollars for the first time in 50 years as well as the opening up of small businesses as it seeks to shed 500,000 public jobs, state media said yesterday.

"From October, the ban on renting accommodation in the Cuban convertible peso (equivalent to the dollar) will be

lifted," the daily Granma said.

The move will apply to "people who have permission to live abroad, or those who live in Cuba, and leave the country for more than three months," the official mouthpiece of the ruling Communist party said. Those people will also be allowed to rent out their cars, it added.

Cuba has been under a US economic embargo for almost

five decades. And the communist authorities only permit those Cubans who are married to foreigners or who have work contracts abroad to leave the island and return when they want.

Those people who have been given state housing since 2001 or who have carried out repairs on their homes will also be allowed to rent them, but with time limits.

## Gold powers to record above 1,300 dollars

LONDON, England (AFP) - Gold prices shot above 1,300 dollars for the first time and silver nailed a 30-year high this week as traders exited the US currency for safe-haven investments on worries about fragile economic recovery.

Gold prices struck a record-high 1,300.07 dollars an ounce on the London Bullion Market, helping to drag sister metal silver to 21.44 dollars an ounce - its highest level since October 1980.

"The underlying bullish trend in the gold market continues to be fuelled by the high level of uncertainty regarding the United States and European economies," said SEB Commodity Research analyst Filip Petersson.

"Wealth preservation are

the keywords.

"As long as we do not see a reduction in the uncertainty regarding the long-term economic outlook, gold prices will remain well-supported as the currency of choice for risk-averse investors."

He added that "the strategic view remains bullish (positive) and we expect prices above 1,350 dollars per ounce before the end of the year."

Gold and silver were also driven by keen demand from exchange traded funds (ETFs).

ETFs allow traders to invest money more easily in commodities, without trading on the futures market. They are traded like shares and are widely regarded as an inexpensive and low-risk way of investing.

"We now expect gold prices to stay high for several more years," said Julian Jessop, chief international economist at Capital Economics consultancy.

"Fears of runaway inflation or a dollar collapse, which underpin some of the most bullish forecasts for gold, remain exaggerated. Nonetheless, prices should continue to be supported by strong demand for a safe haven from other potential economic and financial shocks."

Gold also won support from the weakening US currency, which makes the dollar-priced metal cheaper for buyers using stronger currencies and so tends to stimulate demand and prices

### YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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Kite surfing or kiteboarding is a surface water sport that uses the wind to pull a rider through the water on a small surfboard or a kiteboard (similar to a wakeboard). Generally kiteboarding refers to a style of riding known as freestyle or wake-style, whereas kitesurfing is more "wave-riding" oriented. These two styles usually require different boards and specific performance kites.

A kitesurfer or kiteboarder uses a board with or without foot-straps or bindings, combined with the power of a large controllable kite to propel the rider and the board across the water. In 2006, the number of kitesurfers has been estimated at around 150,000 to 210,000, with 114,465 inflatable kites sold that same year.

The sport is becoming safer due to innovations in kite design, safety release systems, and instructions. Riding styles have evolved to suit riders and conditions, such as wakestyle, waveriding, freestyle, freeride, jumping, and cruising.

Kitesurfing started on the island in 1998. Armando Wester, a professional windsurfer and certified instructor, and his buddies were the first ones to introduce Kitesurfing to the island of Aruba.

Since then, they have gotten more than 5,000 visitors and locals hooked on this new adrenaline rush sport.

Their years of experience, the trade winds on the island, the beautiful Caribbean Sea and the latest equipment make it an ideal and safe place for anyone to learn to kite. Kitesurfing is a hybrid of wakeboarding, hand-gliding and windsurfing for a radical new approach of kite power.

Anyone between the ages of 8 and 77 can enjoy this sport.

So don't hesitate to call Armando or visit him at the Fisherman's huts, just north of the Aruba Marriott Resort, and see for yourself what an exhilarating rush this sport really is.

Lessons start daily at 9 a.m., 12 noon or 3 p.m.

**Sunday: NFL tail-gate BBQ from 10:30 a.m.**

## Buster's Garage in South Beach Center: One place for the whole family

Buster's Garage, a New York City landmark, made its way to Aruba about a year ago, and found a new home at the South Beach Center across from the Radisson Resort. Dedicated to the sports fanatic, the spacious but homey interior is the perfect place to keep up with your favorite team and have a great meal.

Fun for all the family, Buster's has typical sport bar fare such as chicken wings, quesadillas, calamari rings for munching while watching the main event on 24 giant plasma screens. Every seat is good seat for catching all the action. Open from noon for lunch or dinner, it has plenty of distractions for the younger crowd, including foosball, and a video arcade, so Mom and Dad can relax and enjoy their meal.

The moderately priced menu includes all your favorite finger foods and a great selection of local and imported beers. Customer reviews gave Buster's Garage 4.5 stars out of 5 on yellowpages-aruba.com; one declared "my wife and I happened to stumble upon it -but what a find!" Another stated "Owner Rusty is so down to earth. The food was very good and the prices were outstanding for the High-Rise area. Aruba needed a place like this."

Buster's regularly organizes special events with live music. At 10 p.m. it turns into a cozy adult hangout; 18 years and over only allowed, with a DJ on duty nightly and boasting the only beerpong table on Aruba. Aside from a great place to root for the home team or your favorites during play-offs and championships, they regularly carry all UFC fights



& WWE events.

Buster's is a great place where island visitors and residents mix and mingle; Monday

to Thursday they close at 2:00 a.m., weekends at 4:00 a.m.

by Rosalie Klein

## British monarch 'asked for heating handout'

LONDON, England (AFP) – Queen Elizabeth II asked the British government for money from a fund for poor people to help pay heating bills on her palaces, a newspaper reported yesterday.

The request was rebuffed because officials feared the news would be a public relations disaster for the monarch, according to the Independent, which learned of the request under Freedom of Information legislation.

Royal aides complained to ministers in 2004 that the queen's gas and electricity bills had increased by 50 percent and were now "unten-

able," costing more than one million pounds (1.5 million dollars, 1.2 million euros) a year.

Aides said the 15-million-pound state grant the queen received for the upkeep of the palaces was inadequate and asked if the royal family was eligible for special funds to replace four combined heat and power units at Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle.

The money would come from a government scheme to fund heating programmes that benefit people on low incomes.

According to the Inde-



pendent, the then Labour government initially agreed to the idea but then changed its mind.

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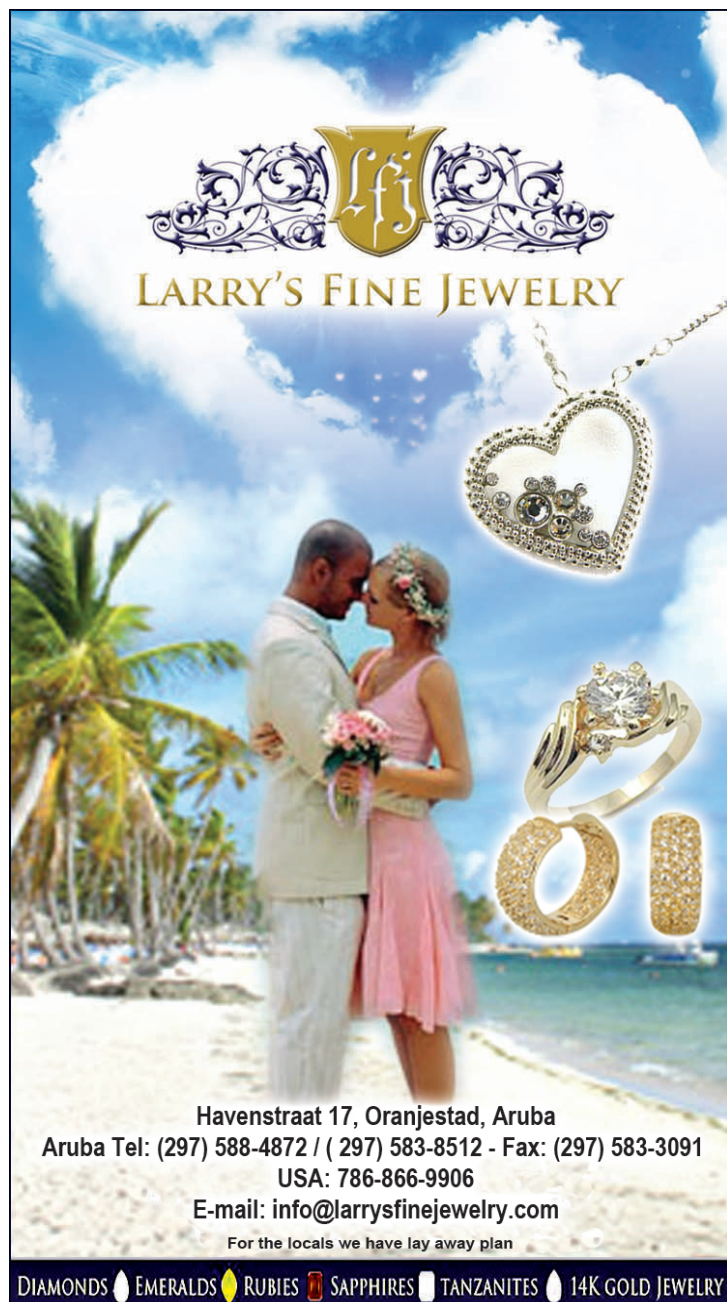
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## Bosnian to star in Angelina Jolie's first film

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AFP) — Bosnian actress Zana Marjanovic has landed the lead in US screen siren Angelina Jolie's directorial debut, a movie about the 1992-95 war in Bosnia, the 27-year-old told BHR1 Bosnian radio yesterday.

"It will be an epic drama against the backdrop of the 1992-95 Bosnian war. It will be a story that will not push any political opinion but foremost a love story that plays out during the war," Marjanovic told the radio.

Marjanovic did not reveal any more details about the film like its working title or fellow cast members.

The movie is reportedly due to be shot largely in Budapest, Hungary with some scenes due to be filmed in Sarajevo in November this year, Bosnian radio reported.

Jolie, who is currently Hollywood's highest paid ac-



**Zana Marjanovic**

trix, will write, direct and produce the movie, according to Hollywood trade daily Variety. It reported that the film will tell the story of a Serbian man and Bosnian woman who fall in love in the middle of the war, but are driven to take different paths.

In Bosnia, Marjanovic is known for her starring roles in two films by local directors: the 2003 Srdjan Vuletic film "Summer in the Golden Valley" and in 2008's "Snow" by Aida Begic.

## '50s pop singer Eddie Fisher dies at 82



LOS ANGELES, California -- One of the most popular singers of the 1950s, Eddie Fisher, has died. He was 82.

Fisher died of complications from hip surgery Wednesday, his family said.

"Late last evening the world lost a true America icon. Eddie Fisher, 82, one of the greatest voices of the

century passed away in Berkeley, CA due to complications and a decline in health from a recent hip surgery," his family members said in a statement. "He was loved and will be missed by his four children: Carrie, Todd, Joely, and Tricia Leigh as well as his six grandchildren. He was an extraordinary talent."

Although Fisher sold millions of records and had his own television show, his biggest claim to fame may be his high-profile marriages to Hollywood starlets Debbie Reynolds, Elizabeth Taylor and Connie Stevens - all of which ended in divorce.

He had two more marriages after that.

Fisher also co-starred in the films "Bundle of Joy" and "Butterfield 8." Among



his four children, Carrie Fisher and Joely Fisher were actresses.

Fisher has two stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, one for recording and the other for TV.

Photos show Eddie Fisher at left, at the age of 26 and, at right at the age of 62

## Belgium experiments with mystical "full moon" beer

PERUWELZ, Belgium — Full moons are often associated with tides, insanity and creatures like werewolves, but it turns out they're also good for brewing beer.

In Peruwelz, a small, sleepy town in southern Belgium, a family-owned brewery has produced its first batch of specialist beer brewed by the light of a full autumnal moon.

It isn't so much a nod to mythology as a recognition of nature's impact on the science of brewing.

"We made several tests and noticed that the fermentation was more vigorous, more active," explained Roger Caulier, the owner of Brewery Caulier, which began in the 1930s when his grandfather started selling homemade beer from a handcart.

"The end product was completely different, stronger, with a taste lasting longer in the mouth," he said.

The full moon speeds up the fermentation process, shortening it to five days from seven, which adds extra punch to the beer without making it harsh, according to connoisseurs.

The finely balanced, gold-colored beer is 10 percent alcohol by volume, extremely strong by most European or U.S. standards but not uncommon in Belgium, where



traditional monk-brewed beers frequently hit 10 or 12 percent.

"It goes down very well, no problem at all," said Joseph Francois, a journalist and beer expert who has tasted the brew.

Brewery Caulier, which uses methods dating from the 1840s and is well-known for its artisanal beers, plans to produce about 12,000 bottles of its full moon beer, called Paix-Dieu (Peace-God), which go on sale on October 31.

The idea came to Caulier after he visited a friend in Alsace, a winemaking region of eastern France, who told him about how he planned his entire production schedule ac-

cording to the lunar calendar.

Caulier began experimenting and eventually came up with a nine-step process that includes using two types of hops and involves a two-week secondary fermentation process inside the bottle, not unlike the technique used to produce Champagne.

"It gives the product greater fame, a bit like for great vintage wines," he said.

"It could lead to collectors checking the differences between one vintage and another because there could very well be differences between every batch."

"Many farmers are convinced that the moon influences the quality of some of their products," he said.



# Raina blasts Chennai into Champions League final



**Chennai Super Kings batsman Suresh Raina plays a stroke during his team's Twenty20 Champions League semi-final match against the Royal Challengers Bangalore at Kingsmead Stadium in Durban, South Africa**

DURBAN (AFP) - Suresh Raina slammed an unbeaten 94 off 48 balls as the Chennai Super Kings stormed past the Royal Challengers in the Champions League Twenty20 semi-final at Kingsmead on Friday.

Raina propelled Chennai to 174 for four after rain reduced the match to 17 overs a side.

Facing an adjusted target of 176, Bangalore crumbled to 123 all out after losing their first three wickets for 12 runs.

Chennai won by 52 runs according to the Duckworth/Lewis method.

Chennai will meet the

winners of today's second semi-final between the South Australian Redbacks and the Eastern Cape Warriors in Centurion.

The final is in Johannesburg on Sunday.

The left-handed Raina hit six sixes and five fours as he made the highest score of the tournament.

Raina took advantage of a weakened Bangalore attack after fast bowler Dale Steyn was injured while taking a catch to dismiss Mike Hussey.

Steyn ran backwards at speed after Hussey hit the ball over mid-off. He jumped to take the catch but landed


heavily on his back and his head banged into the turf.

He had to go to hospital to be checked for back and head damage.

Steyn had been expected to be a key bowler for Bangalore on a pitch which suited fast bowling.

Faced with a daunting target, Bangalore's hopes were snuffed out by Chennai opening bowlers Albie Morkel and Doug Bollinger, who dismissed first three batsmen within the first 3.3 overs.

The overs were reduced after a rain break of two-and-a-half hours when Chennai were 15 for one after 2.5 overs.



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## No extra pressure at Ryder Cup - Woods

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Tiger Woods said Friday that making the US Ryder Cup team as a selection of captain Corey Pavin didn't raise the pressure on him to perform.

"Contrary to what some people might think, I don't feel extra pressure or incentive as a captain's pick to perform," Woods said on his blog posted on [www.tigerwoods.com](http://www.tigerwoods.com). "The goal is to win every match you're put out there so you can help the team retain the Cup."

Woods - whose form has dipped since he was embroiled in a sex scandal that resulted in a costly divorce - was named as a captain's pick along with Zach Johnson, Stewart Cink and Rickie Fowler for a clash against the European team on October 1-3 at Celtic Manor in Wales.

Woods said he was "really looking forward" to getting to Wales.

"I'm excited about going over there and competing and

playing with whomever my captain puts me out there with."

Woods also indicated he'd be satisfied if Pavin opts not to put him in the maximum number of matches.

"I've never missed a match, but we'll see what happens," he said. "I just want to get over there and see the golf course and be ready come Friday."

Woods, who didn't qualify for the US PGA Tour Championship underway in Atlanta this week, said he was using the time off to put in some work with swing coach Sean Foley. He thinks he is ahead of schedule on the changes they have been working on.

"To be honest, I'm picking up Sean's swing changes faster than I thought I would, but I still have a long way to go," Woods said. "I'm definitely hitting the ball farther than I ever have, just because the transfer of energy is more efficient. We're just going to keep working."

## Bangladesh, Nepal climbers to scale virgin peak in Himalayas

DHAKA (AFP) - A group of Bangladeshi and Nepali mountaineers will team up for a joint attempt to scale a previously unconquered Himalayan peak, the Bangladeshi team leader said Friday.

The 12-member joint team will begin the expedition on October 3 and estimate that

scaling the 6,257-metre (20,528-foot) peak -- known locally as Chhekego -- could take 21 days, said M.A. Muhit, the Bangladeshi team's leader.

"If we successfully scale the unclaimed or virgin peak, we plan to name it the Bangladesh-Nepal Friendship Peak," he said.

## Parry, Sandelin battle for survival

PARIS (AFP) - England's John Parry and Jarmo Sandelin of Sweden, both battling to save their tour cards, shared the halfway lead at the Vivendi Cup on Friday on 13 under par.

Parry carded a second round five under par 67 thanks to two closing birdies while former Ryder Cup star Sandelin shot an eagle and four birdies in a bogey free 66.

"I've been playing much better the last three weeks - and this week especially," said Sandelin.

"I haven't had too many bad shots this week so far, so if I can keep it going on like this, I think I will be a happy man at the end of the tournament."

Sandelin is 168th on The Race to Dubai and needs to climb into the top 115 to

avoid a return to Qualifying School while Parry currently occupies 116th spot.

"It was good," said Parry. "I've been playing well for the last couple of weeks, at least trying to put it all together, putt well and hit it well, which is a bit more like it for the first two days."

The pair are three shots clear of France's Julien Guer-

rier, Australia's Richard Green and Madeira Islands Open winner James Morrison.

Ryder Cup player Padraig Harrington was down in a tie for 58th, 11 shots off the lead at the halfway stage.

Three-time major winner Harrington hit a second round 74 and avoided the cut by enjoying three birdies in his last six holes.




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## Bears clash with Pack in battle of unbeatens

CHICAGO (AFP) - The Chicago Bears, off to their best start since 2006, will try to make a statement Monday when they take on NFC North division rivals Green Bay in a battle of unbeaten NFL teams.

Week three sees one other match-up of unbeaten teams in Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay on Sunday.

It's no surprise to see the Packers in a tussle for the division lead, but the Bears, who finished last season a disappointing 7-9, are seeking to end a four-year playoff drought.

"Nobody's picking us to win," Chicago safety Chris Harris said. "We like that. In the locker room, we're all we have anyway, so we don't let outside forces, outside voices dictate how we play."

With a win over Green Bay the Bears could show their 2-0 start to the season was no fluke.

A season-opening victory over Detroit was aided by a controversial call overturning an apparent Lions touchdown,



and the Bears' second victory came against a so-far unimpressive Cowboys squad.

There's no doubt, however, this Bears offense has more pop than recent previous versions.

With an average of 385.5 yards the Bears rank fifth in the league, after finishing no better than 23rd offensively in the last three seasons.

Quarterback Jay Cutler, who threw a league-high 26

interceptions in 2009 has thrown just one so far and ranks third in the NFL with 649 passing yards.

Cutler's composure will likely be tested by a Packers defence featuring NFL sacks leader Clay Matthews.

At the other end of the NFC North, Brett Favre and the Minnesota Vikings will seek to avoid an 0-3 start when they take on a Detroit team that is also without a victory.

In Tampa, the Steelers will again be counting on their defense to help make up for the absence of still-suspended quarterback Ben Roethlisberger.

Although the Steelers' only touchdown this season was an overtime score in their opening victory over Atlanta, they have flourished thanks to physical defence.

Reserve signal-caller Charlie Batch's task was made much easier last week as the defence forced seven turnovers at Tennessee.

The trip to Tampa sees Steelers coach Mike Tomlin returning to the team where

he served as an assistant coach from 2001-2005.

And Buccaneers head coach Raheem Morris worked as an assistant with Tomlin before he was hired last season.

"We always used to talk about competing against each other," Morris said. "We have the opportunity to go out there and compete on a top stage and there's nothing better than that."

Elsewhere on Sunday, Super Bowl champions New Orleans will likely be tested by NFC South rivals Atlanta at the Super Dome.

The New York Jets visit Miami in a battle of AFC East foes, Miami seeking to remain unbeaten atop the division.

In another AFC East clash, New England will try to

bounce back from their loss to the Jets when they host the lowly Bills.

In Denver, a Broncos team shocked by the apparent suicide this week of wide receiver Kenny McKinley will host Indianapolis.

Philadelphia, with Michael Vick tabbed as starting quarterback, visit Jacksonville. Houston, off to a 2-0 start, could claim Texas bragging rights if they can hand winless Dallas another defeat.

Tennessee and the Giants both coming off defeats, meet at New York.

Baltimore host division stragglers Cleveland in an AFC North match-up, Carolina host Cincinnati, Kansas City host San Francisco, St. Louis host Washington, Seattle host San Diego and Arizona host Oakland.

## NFL weekend schedule

### Sunday, Sept. 26

Cincinnati (1-1) @ Carolina (0-2)  
 San Francisco (0-2) @ Kansas City (2-0)  
 Cleveland (0-2) @ Baltimore (1-1)  
 Atlanta (1-1) @ New Orleans (2-0)  
 Dallas (0-2) @ Houston (2-0)  
 Washington (1-1) @ St. Louis (0-2)  
 Oakland (1-1) @ Arizona (1-1)  
 NY Jets (1-1) @ Miami (2-0)  
 Buffalo (0-2) @ New England (1-1)  
 Tennessee (1-1) @ NY Giants ((1-1)  
 Pittsburgh (2-0) @ Tampa Bay (2-0)  
 Detroit (0-2) @ Minnesota (0-2)  
 Philadelphia (1-1) @ Jacksonville (1-1)  
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## Amir Khan - Marcos Maidana confirmed for Vegas



WBA light welterweight boxing champion Amir Khan (L) of England (L), and Marcos Maidana of Argentina, pose for photographers at a press conference in central London.

LAS VEGAS (AFP) - Britain's Amir Khan will defend his World Boxing Association 140-pound world title on December 11 in Las Vegas, taking on Argentina's Marcos Maidana, Golden Boy Promotions confirmed Thursday.

Khan, who fashioned a stunning American debut when he stopped Paulie Malignaggi in the 11th round of a lopsided bout in New York

in May, will fight in Vegas for the first time.

He agreed earlier this month to what could prove a tough encounter with Maidana, who has won four straight fights since dropping a split decision to Andreas Kotelnik last year.

Khan, who won Olympic silver in Athens, beat Kotelnik last year to claim the WBA light welterweight crown.

## League to crack down on complainers

NEW YORK (AFP) - The NBA plans to crack down on complaining this season, giving the go-ahead to referees to issue fouls for "overt" gestures from players dissatisfied with calls.

The league is expanding its "respect for the game" guidelines to include unsportsmanlike actions that it feels takes away from the product on the floor - and how it looks on television.

Guidelines for issuing technical fouls now include such gestures such as raising a fist in the air in anger, incredulous arm waving and excessive questioning of the call even in moderate tones.

"The focus here is to just play the game," NBA executive vice president of basketball operations Stu Jackson said.

"We have a great game. We have great players. We have a great product. Let's focus on executing offense and defense and being highly competitive.

"Complaining doesn't have a part in our game, and complaining has never changed a non-call to a call, or a call to a non-call."

The league attempted a similar crackdown for the 2006-07 season, but it didn't stick.

## Beckham to sue over US magazine 'lies'

PARIS (AFP) - David Beckham said on Thursday he will sue an American weekly magazine that published allegations that the former England captain had slept with a prostitute.

Beckham's legal representatives said in a statement that the claims were "completely untrue and totally ridiculous, as the magazine was clearly told before publication".

The statement followed a story in the In Touch magazine relating to an alleged relationship in New York in August 2007.

Beckham, who plays for Los Angeles Galaxy in the United States, has been married to pop star Victoria for 11 years and they have three children.

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